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TAGS: UNSC GT VE BX

SUBJECT: BRUNEI WILL STICK WITH GUATEMALA

REF: A. STATE 171368

¶B. BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN 485

Classified By: DCM Justin Friedman, reasons 1.4 (b) & (d)

¶1. (C) DCM delivered ref A demarche to Florence Chong, Assistant Director for International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, at OOB on October 16 (twelve hours ahead of OOB in New York). Chong responded that Brunei's support for Guatemala remained firm (ref B). She shared our concern about possible third country candidates emerging too early in the process, and said that Brunei's UN Mission had been instructed to continue to support Guatemala.

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